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**SUPERABSORBENT AND NONWOVEN COMPOSITES FOR PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS**

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**Transmittal Letter  
Utility U.S. Patent Application  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the above-identified utility U.S. patent application.

Enclosed are:

1. Twenty-three (23) pages of specification, including a one (1) page Abstract and twenty (20) claims.
2. An unexecuted Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is enclosed herewith.
3. One (1) sheet of drawings.
4. This Transmittal Letter, in duplicate.

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10 Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 and/or 35 U.S.C. 119(e), Applicants hereby claim priority from presently  
11 pending U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/173,038 entitled "Superabsorbent and Nonwoven  
12 Composites for Personal Care Products" and filed on December 23, 1999 in the names of Christopher  
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